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defend himself and his, fi:om their treasons, which we were well assured, they would

practise.

So the messenger being returned from Don MARTIN DE HENRIQUEZ, the new Viceroy (who came in the same Fleet, and had sufficient authority to command in all cases, both by sea and land, in this Province of Mexico or New Spain) did certify our General that "For the better maintenance of amity between the King of Spain and our Sovereign call our requests of Spain and our Sovereign; all our requests should be both favourably granted, and faithfully performed: ** signifying further that "He heard and understood of the honest and friendly dealing of our General towards the King of Spain's subjects in all places where he had been, as also in the said port."

So that, to be brief, our requests were articled*

and set down in writing.

The first was that we might have victuals for our money 9 and license to sett as much wares as might suffice to furnish our wants.

The second, that we might be suffered peaceably to repair our ships.

The third, that the Island might be in our possession during the time of our abode there.

In which Island, our General, for the better safety of him and his, had already planted and placed certain ordnance; which were eleven pieces of brass. Therefore he required that the same might so continue; and that no Spaniard should come to land in the said Island, having or wearing any kind of weapon about him.

The fourth, and last, that for the better and more mre performance and maintenance of peace, and of all the conditions; there might ten gentlemen of credit be delivered of either part) as hostages.

These conditions were concluded and agreed upon in writing by the Viceroy, signed with his hand, and sealed with his seal: and ten hostages, upon either part, were received.

And further it was concluded that the two Generals should meet; and give fa^th, each to the other, for the performance of the promises,

All which being done, the same was proclaimed by the